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ABSTRACT

Created in 1961 by the Washington State Legislature, the Youth Development and Conservation Corps (YDCC) affords youth and young men aged 14-21 employment opportunities in conservation programs that entail developing, improving, and maintaining natural and artificial recreation areas for the general public. It is designed to help young people--regardless of income--learn vocational and work skills, develop good work habits, cultivate a sense of responsibility and contribution to society, improve participants' physical and moral well-being, and promote an understanding and appreciation of nature. YDCC enrollees work as crew members under a YDCC supervisor; they receive $25 a week (40 hours) plus free room and board at a resident camp. In urban areas, the YDCC operates a day program on a commuter basis. Thus far, YDCC programs have resulted in the training and employment of 6,173 persons. (The document includes related manpower programs, and descriptions of 95 work projects.) (LY)

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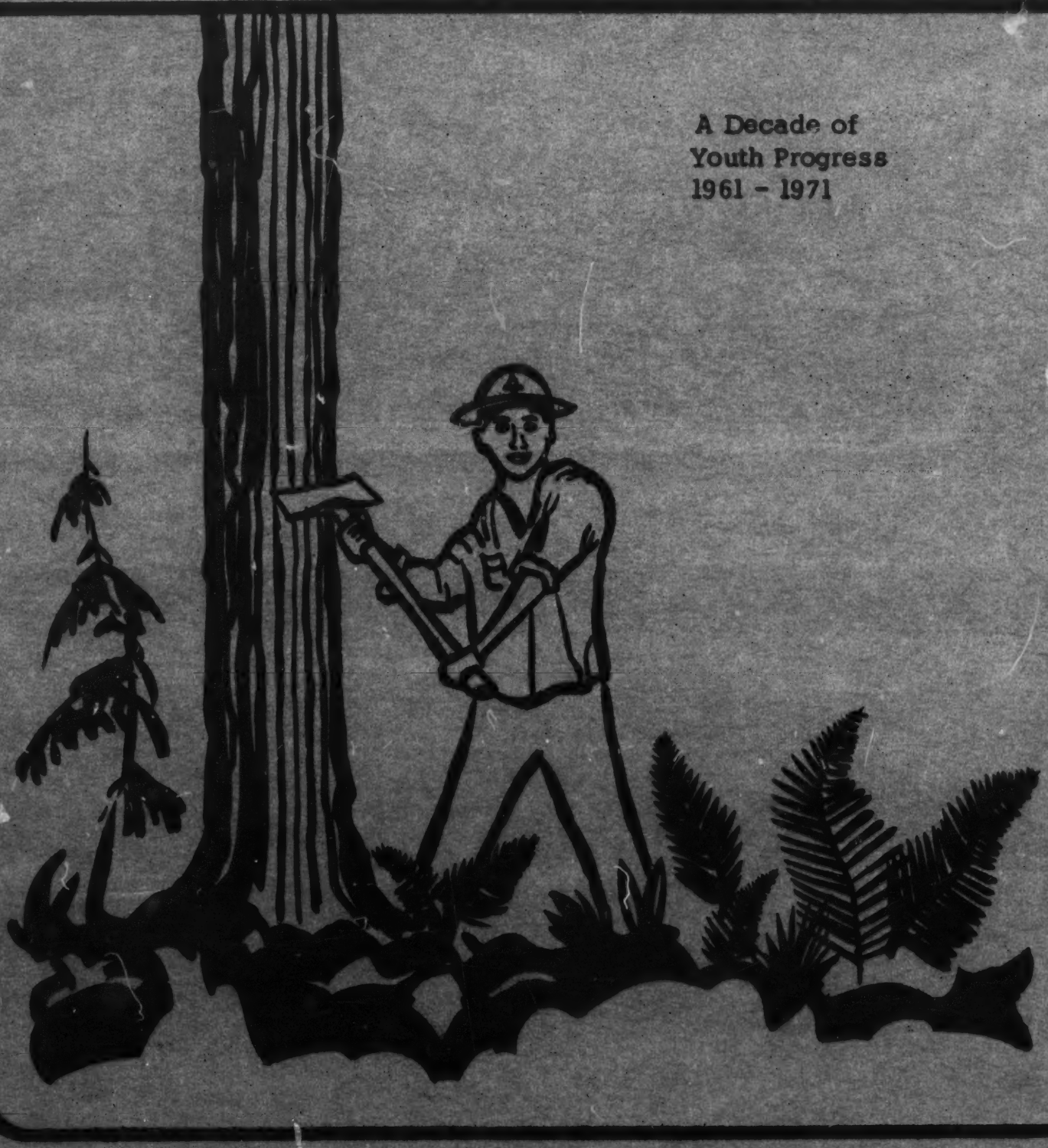

A Decade of
Youth Progress
1961 - 1971

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YOUTH DEVELOPMENT AND CONSERVATION CORPS

The Youth Development and Conservation Corps (YDCC) was created by the 1961 Washington State Legislature to provide:

(1) the opportunity for healthful employment of young men in programs of conservation, developing, improving and maintaining natural and artificial recreational areas for the welfare of the general public;

(2) the opportunity for our young men to learn vocational and work skills, develop good work habits and a sense of responsibility and contribution to society, improvement in personal physical and moral well being, and an understanding and appreciation of nature.

The first YDCC project was a 6 - week resident camp at Lake Easton State Park in the summer of 1961. Since that time the YDCC, under the administration of the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission, has operated 75 projects. These YDCC projects have resulted in improvements of every nature on 25 State Parks throughout the State (see Annex A).

Enrollees are provided room and board and paid $25/wk in a resident camp. Supervision is provided both on and off the job by an experienced husband-wife team acting as Camp Supervisor and Camp Manager. Enrollees are taught the use of basic hand tools in accomplishment of work assignments. They also learn to live and work together as part of a team.

YDCC camps operate on a 6 - week cycle with two camps running concurrently. Location of YDCC projects is limited to areas where facilities are readily available.

In urban areas the YDCC operates a day program in which the enrollees are transported to and from work each day while living at home. Rate of pay is $25/wk. This program was quite successful in 1964 with cooperative projects with King County, City of Seattle, and City of Auburn. Again in 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, and 1970 the day program was used in cooperative projects with Seattle Public Schools, Bellevue City Park Department, Mercer Island City Park Department, Wenatchee Public Schools Special Education Department and also Jefferson and Clallam Counties.

YDCC

Financed:	100% State Parks
Youth Eligible:	14 - 21 years of age Summer - by public drawing Spring, Fall and Winter - referred by Employment Security Department and Public Schools. No restriction as to income.
Rate of Pay:	$ 25/wk -- 40 hr./wk
Types of Programs:	Resident camps -- room and board furnished. Cooperative Day Programs
Type of Jobs:	YDCC enrollees are all crew members under supervision of YDCC Supervisor.

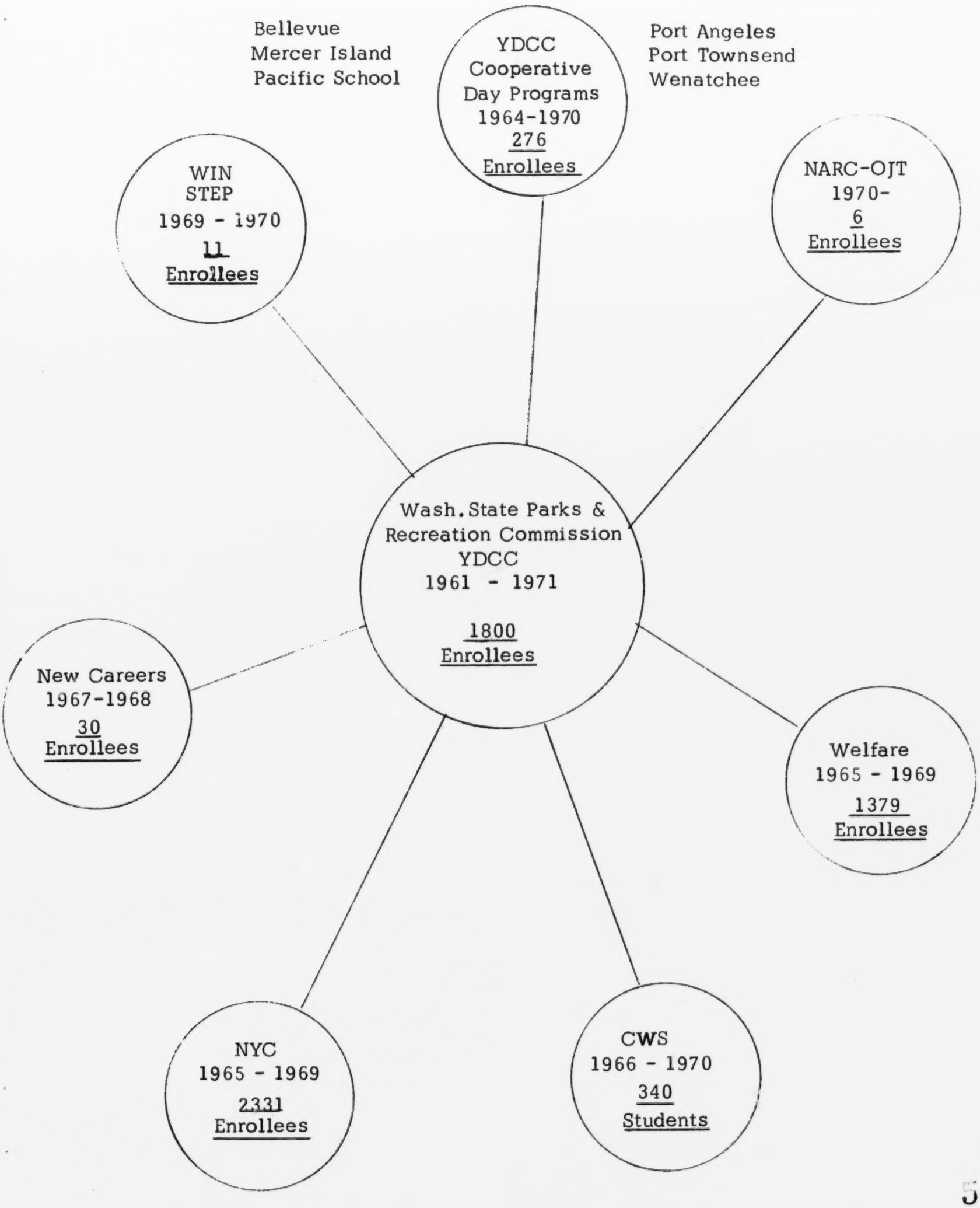
SATELLITE PROGRAMS DERIVED FROM Y.D.C.C.

As a result of YDCC existence, nine different special employment programs have been carried under the Washington State Parks & Recreation Commission YDCC umbrella.

This has resulted in the training and employment of 6173 people; 1421 adults and 4753 youths since 1961.

Agencies deriving benefits from the programs other than State Parks, are county parks, city parks, public schools, Special Education, Department of Vocational Rehabilitation, Washington State Game Department, and various Washington State Employment Offices.

AGENCIES INVOLVED	BENEFITS
City and County Parks	New development Park maintenance
Public Schools	Vocational work experience Social, physical and environmental adjustments for students
Washington State Game Department	Construction projects Maintenance Clerical help
Washington State Employment Offices	Clerical help
Washington State Parks & Recreation Commission	Youth employed in: Maintenance and new construction Management Clerical Interpretation Engineering Park Planning



TOTAL - 6173 people

EXPLANATION OF VARIOUS PROGRAMS

NYC	Neighborhood Youth Corps is a Manpower Development Training Activity administered by the U.S. Department of Labor through the Bureau of Work Programs. It is an anti-poverty program for youths between the ages of 16 and 21 years.
WIN, STEP	Work Incentive Program and Special Training Employment Program are federal programs sponsored by the Department of Labor and administered by Washington State Employment Security Department to train and re-train individuals who are deemed employable.
NARC - OJT	National Association for Retarded Children - On-the-Job-Training, is a national program to train retarded workers for certain basic jobs, with Manpower Development Training Activity funds administered by the U.S. Department of Labor providing fifty percent reimbursement.
NEW CAREERS	To place disadvantaged persons in social service agencies, and in conjunction with those agencies, develop career positions is the function of New Careers. This program was financed by the U.S. Department of Labor in conjunction with Seattle-King County Econimic Opportunity Board, Inc. and Washington State Parks & Recreation Commission.
CWS	College Work Study was designed especially to encourage college attendance on the part of students who would be unable to attend a university without such an opportunity for employment. The program is financed through federal grants to the universities with State Parks assuming a portion of salaries.
YDCC - Cooperative Programs	State Parks enters into cooperative agreements with other agencies for the purpose of employment of youths on a local work crew basis. The financing and enrollees are furnished by the local agencies with the tools, transportation, administration, supervisors, and expertise provided by YDCC.

AWARDS AND HONORS

Though working with our youth is reward enough, the Washington State Parks & Recreation Commission has been additionally honored.

In 1964, Mr. John Willits, then YDCC Chief, was given the Seattle Civitan "Man of the Year" award for outstanding service to youths.

In 1970, Mr. Charles H. Odegaard, Director, was given the Seattle Civitan "Certificate of Merit" award for directing the work of the handicapped youths within the YDCC Program.

Washington State Parks & Recreation Commission was also commended for being the first public agency to become affiliated with the National Association for Retarded Children with Manpower Development Training Activity funds administered by the U.S. Department of Labor.

As a result of Washington State Parks & Recreation Commission's close association with youths, Mr. David H. Reynaud, YDCC Chief, was appointed by Governor Daniel J. Evans to the Interagency Advisory Committee of the Governor's Commission for Youth Development.

Annex A

SUMMARY OF YDCC PROGRAMS

1961 - 63 Biennium

Year	Season	State Park	Enrollees	Length (weeks)	Major Work Projects Completed
1961	summer	Lake Easton	38	6	90 campsites cleared, 1 foot-bridge built; 2 1/2 miles of trails built and cleared, 3 miles of road cleared.
1962	summer	Lake Cushman	20	6	125 campsites cleared, 1 foot-bridge built, 1 1/2 miles of trails built and cleared, 10 acres brushed and cleared.
1962	summer	Mt. Pilchuck	12	6	33 campsites cleared, 1 foot-bridge built, 1 1/2 miles of trails built and cleared, 19 stoves constructed, 20 acres brushed out & cleared, 1 dam built, 9 miles of trails blazed.
1962	summer	Moran	12	6	3 footbridges built, 3 1/2 miles of trail built & cleared. 7 miles of road cleared.
1962	winter	Millersylvania	12	8	20 acres of storm (Oct. 12) debris cut & cleared. 1 wk. of search for downed A.F.pilot, 3/4 miles ditch cleaned.

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1963	summer	Mt. Spokane	22	6	5,000 snags felled, 55 cord of firewood cut & stacked, 7 miles road brushed, 1/2 mile permanent water line installed, 2 miles road cleared, 2 large tent sites cleared & graveled, cabin area improved.
1963	summer	Riverside	8	8	Archaeological dig on site of Old Fort Spokane. (Cooperating with Wash.State U.)
1963	fall	Millersylvania	13	6	Shake cutting, cedar pole cutting, roof shaking, slash clearing, debris cleanup, tree planting, construction of fireplace in dining hall.
		Beacon Rock	13	2	Trail work and bridge repair.
1963	fall	Enumclaw	13	6	Tree planting project (cooperating with Dept. of Nat. Res.)
1963	winter	Upper Skagit River	2	27	Cooperating with State Conservation Dept. in snow survey project.
1964	winter	Fort Flagler	12	12	Scraping & Painting of existing structures, replacement of eaves troughs & down spouts, stacking of lumber, pulling nails, & minor demolition of temp. structures, cutting brush from around gun emplacements.
1964	spring	Mayfield	22	1	Tree planting project to reforest area.
1964	spring	Deception Pass	22	8	Replacement of existing water lines which due to terrain & geology was done by hand. Construction of nature trail 7/8 mile in length.
1964	spring	Blake Island	12	2	Hand clearing of land, piling of brush, & grading & leveling of campsites with hand tools.
1964	spring	Sun Lakes	12	6	Hand digging of an existing drainage canal in Group Camp area, cleanup of Group Camp area.
1964	spring	Pend Oreille	12	6	Cleaning of new camping area.

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1964	summer	Beacon Rock	46	7	Repair of trail up Beacon Rock. Repair of 4 miles trail, construction of foot bridges, construction of rustic picnic tables, repair of rustic restroom, park cleanup and slash disposal.
1964	summer	King County (Day Work Project)	40	8	Cooperating with King County Park Dept. in development of 3 county park sites.
1964	summer	City of Seattle	40	6	Cooperating with Seattle Park Dept. in development of 2 city park sites.
1964	summer	City of Auburn	13	12	Cooperating with Auburn City Parks, Auburn City Public Works Dept. & Auburn School Dist.
1964	fall	Penrose Point	12	6	Site preparation prior to building construction. Park cleanup & trail construction.
1964	fall	Lake Newport	12	6	Removal of weed brushes, removal of building and salvage of lumber.
1964	winter	Fort Canby	12	6	Brush clearing, road & trail improvement, tree planting.
1964	winter	Bush Pacific	12	6	Park cleanup, construction of access to beach area. Tree planting.
1965	spring	Leadbetter Point	12	6	Assist park engineers in establishing boundary lines, trail & road improvement.
1965	spring	Rockport Larrabee	12	6	Development of group camping area, initial clearing for campsite development, road & trail maintenance.
1965	spring	Penrose Point	12	6	Preliminary development of circular group camping area, clearing & grubbing brush for extension of day use area.
1965	spring	Birch Bay	12	6	Installing drainage system in camp area and park cleanup.
1965	spring	Federation Forest	12	6	Construction of complete nature trail system totalling over 1 mi. of trail.
1965	spring	Moran	12	6	Replacement of water flume, park cleanup, trail maintenance and improvement.

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1965	summer	Fort Flagler	12	6	Construction of foot trail from group camp to beach. Construction of bulkhead along beach area.
1965	summer	Moran	12	6	Maintenance of trail system and park cleanup.
1965	fall	Fort Flagler	12	6	Salvaging of surplus buildings.
1965	fall	Moran	12	6	Replacement of 103 ft. log foot-bridge across Cascade Lake. Trail work.
1965	winter	Beacon Rock	12	6	Repair of trails and roads damaged in 1964-65 winter floods. Park cleanup. Salvaging surplus buildings.
1965	winter	Fort Flagler	12	6	Salvaging surplus buildings.
1966	spring	Fort Flagler	12	6	Salvaging surplus buildings.
1966	spring	Moran	12	6	Salvaging surplus buildings.
1966	spring	Fort Flagler	12	6	Salvaging surplus buildings. Cleanup at Fort Worden.
1966	spring	Moran	12	6	Preliminary trail work at Sucia Island Marine Park. Trail maintenance at Moran.
1966	spring	Peace Arch (Day work project)	6	8	Landscaping work and transplanting shrubs.
1966	summer	Fort Flagler	12	6	Continued cleanup and fencing at Fort Worden.
1966	summer	Moran	12	6	Trail improvement and maintenance, bumper log replacement.
1966	summer	Seattle Schools (Day work project)	40	10	Two 10-boy crews at Bridle Trails State Park -- trail maintenance and improvement. Two 10-boy crews at Lake Sammamish State Park -- stump removal, drainage, general cleanup.
1966	summer	Bellevue (Day work project)	11	8	Construction of nature trail system and class areas in Bellevue City Park.
1966	fall	Fort Flagler	12	6	Continued cleanup and fencing at Fort Worden.
1966	fall	Moran	12	6	Trail improvement and maintenance, bumper log replacement.

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1966	fall	Moran	12	6	Roadside brushing. Trail clearing. General park cleanup.
1966	fall	Fort Flagler	12	6	General park cleanup. Tree farming and landscaping at Fort Townsend for an extended picnic area.
1966	winter	Fort Casey	12	6	Clearing brush and building foot trails. General park cleanup.
1966	winter	Fort Flagler	12	6	Continued tree farming and landscaping at Ft. Townsend for an extended picnic area.
1966	winter	Fort Casey	12	6	Clearing brush and weeds around mortar batteries and painting lighthouse.
1966	winter	Fort Flagler	12	6	Remodeling lighthouse for crew quarters. Landscaping.
1967	spring	Fort Casey	12	6	Cleaning old coastal artillery batteries. Cleaning, scraping, & painting metal parts. General park cleanup.
1967	spring	Fort Flagler	12	6	Continued remodeling lighthouse. General park cleanup and maintenance.

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1967	Summer	Fort Casey	12	6	Sealed and painted park buildings. General park cleanup.
1967	summer	Fort Flagler	12	6	Road and trail brushing and clearing. Tree farming.
1967	summer	Bellevue (Day work co-operative project)	10	8	Continued nature trail system. Converted a swamp area into a beautiful pond.
1967	fall	Fort Casey	12	6	Cleared drainage areas. Landscaping. Brush and trail work.
1967	winter	Fort Flagler	12	6	Made and treated shakes. Removed obsolete fence. Rebuilt 1 mile of new fence.
1967	winter	Fort Casey	12	6	Cut, removed and disposed of brush and debris in battery areas.
1967	winter	Fort Flagler	12	6	Cleaned, brushed and re-fenced sewage lagoon area. Rebuilt borderline fence.
1967	winter	Fort Casey	12	6	Cleared undergrowth in power station area. Repainted all the steel in gun emplacements and cleared undergrowth.
1968	spring	Fort Flagler	12	6	Built bulkhead along bay. Built boat ramp. Started salvaging surplus buildings.
1968	spring	Fort Casey	12	6	Split new shakes. Repainted 4 buildings. Tree farming in picnic area.
1968	spring	Fort Flagler	12	6	Built unique steps to scenic beach area and 500' of guard rail. Trail work. Completed building salvage and landscaped area.
1968	spring	Fort Casey	12	6	Brushed, cleaned and built new campground.
1968	summer	Seattle Schools (Day work co-operative program)	20	8	Trail maintenance. General clean-up and painting at Bridle Trails and Lake Sammamish. Brushing, tree farming and trail work at Saltwater State Park.
1968	summer	Bellevue (Day work cooperation program)	50	8	Cleanup and continuation of nature study trails. Rebuilt pond that winter flood washed out at Bellefield park. Tree farming and brushing at park and Bellevue Golf Course.

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1968	summer	Fort Flagler	12	6	Repaired fence, cleaned reservoir and surrounding area. Built fire protection road. Trail work at Kitsap and built a 500' bulkhead. New boat ramp, bumper logs, and landscaping at Sequim.
1968	summer	Fort Casey	12	6	Painted main warehouse building. Tree farming and fire trail work at Fort Ebey.
1968	fall	Millersylvania	12	6	Brushed and rebuilt new trail and steps along the lake. Landscaping and tree planting at Park Headquarters.
1968	fall	Fort Casey	12	6	Removed three story surplus building. Salvaged smaller building. Hauled in and landscaped tons of gravel and top soil. Built new entrance gate. Repaired drainage system.
1969	spring	Fort Casey	12	6	Cleared brush. General park cleanup Deception Pass.
1969	spring	Fort Flagler	12	6	Rejuvinate Sequim Bay camp ground. Cleared and leveled camp sites.
1969	spring	Fort Casey	12	6	Built parking lot at Youth Camp, also cleared camp sites Deception Pass State Park.
1969	spring	Fort Flagler	12	6	Helped with bulkhead Sequim Bay. Cleared trails and general park cleanup at Fort Flagler.
1969	summer	Fort Casey	12	6	Built fence and landscaping at Bayview State Park. Cleared trails and built bulkhead at Deception Pass State Park.
1969	summer	Fort Flagler	12	6	Built 3 1/2 mi. trail, combination of nature, fire & walking trail Dosewallips State Park.
1969	summer	Moran	12	6	20 miles trail clearing, peel bumper logs and ditch clearing.
1969	summer	Sun Lakes	24	6	Trail work at Camp Delaney. Extended rock work at Dry Falls. Repair Dry Falls trail, removed fences and cleaned up 85 acres.

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1969	summer	Fields' Spring (Day work co-operative project)	12	6	Tree farming, trail building, cutting diseased trees and landscaping.
1969	summer	Bridle Trails (Day work co-operative project)	10	9	Replaced signs. Repainted buildings. Rebuilt fences and hitch rails. Trail maintenance.
1969	summer	Lake Sammamish (Day work co-operative project)	10	9	Installed guard blocks, repaired bridge approaches, leveled low spots, removed stumps. Cleaned out brushy areas.
1969	summer	Dash Point (Day work co-operative project)	10	9	Relocated upper switchback Installed barrier concrete and bumper strips. Trail building.
1969	summer	Kopachuck (Day work co-operative project)	10	9	Cleaned up campground debris from logging project. Rebuilt 40 campsites.
1969	summer	Penrose Point (Day work co-operative project)	10	9	2000 ft. of bulkhead - erosion control.
1969	summer	Mount Spokane (Day work co-operative project)	10	9	Built trails, corrals, built picnic sites, rebrushed roads and built gates.
1969	summer	Pend Orielle (Day work co-operative project)	10	9	Camp loop turnaround, levelled campsites, road maintenance and built pole fence.
1969	summer	Saltwater	24	9	Brushed out boundary and built trail around park. Repaired and stained old picnic tables. Filled holes and removed dangerous trees.
1969	summer	Bellefields Nature Study Park (Co-operative day project)	10	6	Continued corduroy trails to enlarge park. Repaired ponds, and built catch basins.
1969	summer	Mercer Island City Park	10	6	Tree farming, landscaping and building trails.
1969	summer	Bellevue Golf Course	10	6	Brushing and landscaping edges of fairways.
1969	summer	Squillchuck Capital Project	20	8	Forestry and fire suppression.
1969	fall	Fort Flagler	12	6	Finished nature trail at Dosewallips. Cut shake bolts Fort Flagler.
1969	fall	Fort Casey	12	6	Shaked roof and tore down restroom. General cleanup at Deception Pass State Park.

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1969	winter	Millersylvania	24	6	Cleared roads, shaked buildings, planted shrubs, built gates at Millersylvania. Built small parking lot and put railing around bulkhead at Jones Beach. Cleared brush for engineer at Mayfield Lake. Shaked roofs at Twanoh State Park.

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Year	Season	State Park	Enrollees	Length (weeks)	Major Work Projects Completed
1970	Spring	Ft. Casey	12	6	Forestry projects, trail work, trailer site clearing at Deception Pass.
1970	Spring	Battleground Lake	6	6	Removal of swimming dock and old buildings. Area cleanup.
1970	Spring	Beacon Rock	6	6	Trail work and bridge repair.
1970	Spring	Flaming Geyser		6	Area cleanup, general repair. Built bulkhead at Penrose Pt.
1970	Summer	Ft. Casey	12	6	Painted docks at Deception Pass. Area cleanup South Whidbey.
1970	Summer	Ft. Flagler	12	6	Painted buildings. Trail work at Dosewallips.
1970	Summer	Bridle Trails (Day Work Program)	10	8	Painted horse arena. Repaired trails. Cut and pealed poles.
1970	Summer	Lake Sammamish (Day Work Program)	10	8	Parking Lot construction, and brushed ditches.
1970	Summer	Dash Point (Day Work Program)	10	8	Trail work. Campsite clearing. Cleared brush.
1970	Summer	Kopachuck (Day Work Program)	10	8	Rejuvination of picnic area and camp area. Installed water and sewer lines.
1970	Summer	Penrose Pt. (Day Work Program)	10	8	Brushed and worked on trails. Made shakes.
1970	Summer	Mt. Spokane (Day Work Program)	10	8	Cleared trails & roads. Built horse corral.
1970	Summer	Pend Orielle Riverside (Day Work Program)	10	8	Brushed & cleared trails. Sprayed weeds. Painted Interpretive display area logs.
1970	Summer	Saltwater (Cooperative Day Program)	24	8	Worked on trails. Rejuvinated picnic tables. Area cleanup. (Seattle Public Schools)
1970	Summer	Bellefield (Cooperative Day Program)	10	8	Repaired trails, built new trails. New construction. (Bellevue Parks Department)
1970	Summer	Bellevue Golf Course (Cooperative Day Program)	10	8	General cleanup of Golf Course and maintenance (Bellevue Parks Department)

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1970	Summer	Port Townsend City Parks (Cooperative Day Program)	10	8	Cleared & repaired all city and county parks in Jefferson County
1970	Summer	Port Angeles (Cooperative Day Program)	10	8	Built fence & cleared camp & picnic sites at Voice of America Park
1970	Summer	Various State Parks Wenatchee Public Schools Cooperative Day Program	24	8	Forestry project at Squillchuck. General cleanup at Olmstead Place, and Ginkgo. Swimming area cleaned at Lake Wenatchee.
1970	Fall	Sun Lakes	12	6	Painted buildings. Cleared camp sites. Shaked buildings. Cleared brush along roadways.
1970	Fall	Flaming Geyser	12	12	Built 10,000 gal. water reservoir Laid water lines. Repaired buildings.
1970	Fall	Millersylvania	12	6	Campsite rejuvination.

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